

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
HUMBOLDT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

On **Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the Humboldt County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the matter listed below.

**NOTE: In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 the Planning Commission meeting will be held virtually.**

**HOW TO LISTEN OR WATCH THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:**

**Listen or Watch the live stream of the Planning Commission Meeting in three ways:**

1. <https://zoom.us/j/91825990053> Password: 200525
2. Call in via telephone at 346 248-7799, enter meeting id 918 2599 0053 Password: 200525
3. A live stream of the meeting can be found by using the following link:  
<https://humboldt.legistar.com> or by watching Access Humboldt on cable channel 10

**PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS DURING THE MEETING:**

**Participate in the public comment period of the meeting in the following two ways:**

1. **Via Computer as an attendee:** To raise your hand click the Raise Hand icon on the bottom of the Zoom window. When you click the Raise Hand icon, a hand icon will appear next to your name that will notify the host your hand is raised. You will also see the hand icon turn green. When you want to lower your hand, you can click the hand icon again and your hand will be lowered. When you are called upon to speak the Zoom platform will ask you for permission to unmute your mic. **If you encounter any issues, please use the call-in option below.**
2. **Via phone call using cellphone or landline:** When the Planning Commission meeting begins, call in to the conference line. When the Planning Commissioner starts to discuss the item you wish to comment on, **Press \*9 to raise your hand.** When you are called upon to speak, you will be prompted to unmute your mic, press \*6 to unmute.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO THE MEETING:**

To submit public comment to the Planning Commission please email [Planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:Planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us) and provide your name, the agenda item number(s) on which you wish to speak. If you do not have access to email, a voicemail may be left at 707 445-7541 and will follow the same procedure as email public comments. All public comment submitted after the agenda has been published will be included with the administrative record after the fact.

**Please note that each Zoom meeting has a unique meeting ID and password. Any item on this agenda that is continued to a future date will use the meeting ID and password applicable to the date the agenda item is to be heard again. Agendas are posted on the Friday before the meeting at <https://humboldt.legistar.com>**

**Renewable Properties, LLC, Hatchery Road Solar Project**, Blue Lake area; Record Number PLN-2020-16320 (filed 4/2/2020); Assessor's Parcel Numbers 313-091-019 and -020. The proposed project (Project) is a small-scale commercial energy generating facility that would be located on ±26.56 acres of two (2) adjoining parcels that together total ±38 acres of undeveloped land. The Project would generate approximately four (4) megawatts (MW) of alternating current (AC) emission free, clean, renewable power. The Project would interconnect to PG&E's pre-existing electrical distribution system located along Hatchery Road. Power generated by this facility would be sold to the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) through a long-term Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). The Project would utilize 14,336 modules and 32 string inverters which convert the sun's energy into usable AC power. Single axis tracking technology would be utilized to allow the modules to efficiently track the sun throughout the day and maximize the efficiency of solar collection. The modules would be mounted on a steel racking system, which would be anchored into the ground using driven steel piers. The overall height of the array would be no more than 8-feet tall as measured from existing grade. The Project is located in the Blue Lake area, on the east side of Hatchery Road, approximately 3,700 feet south from the intersection of Hatchery Road and West End Road, on the property known to be in the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 31 of Township 06 North, Range 02 East, Humboldt Base & Meridian. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to the assigned planner Joshua Dorris at (707) 268-3779 or via email at [jdorris@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:jdorris@co.humboldt.ca.us)

Note: The County of Humboldt, as Lead Agency, in accordance with the State California Environmental

Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (finding of no significant adverse environmental effect) for the project. **This notification is to advise you that the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department will receive public comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration from January 11, 2021 to February 26, 2021.** Comments may be submitted to the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department, 3015 H Street, Eureka, CA 95501 by **February 26, 2021**. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are available for review at the same location as well as online via the Department's website, located at <https://humboldt.gov.org/156/Planning-Building>

**Consistent with the above instructions for public comment, any person may appear and present testimony regarding this matter during the hearing. If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at or prior to the public hearing. The Planning Commission's decision will become effective if an appeal is not filed within the appropriate filing period. An appeal may be filed by any aggrieved person who has testified in person or in writing on the project and must be submitted in writing with the required fees to the Planning Division of the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department at 3015 H Street, Eureka, California 95501, post marked before the end of the appeal period. If appealed, the decision will not become effective until the appeal is resolved.**

The staff report for this project will be will be posted on <https://humboldt.legistar.com> on the Friday before the Planning Commission meeting. General questions regarding the Planning Commission, the permit process, submission of materials and other information not specific to this project may be obtained from the Planning Division of the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department, 3015 H Street, Eureka, California 95501 or email [planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us). Telephone (707) 445-7541

The County of Humboldt is committed to providing equal access to all county programs, services and activities through the provision of accommodations for individuals with disabilities as required under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). With 72 hours prior notice, a request for reasonable accommodation or modification can be made. Please contact the Planning Commission clerk at 707-445-7541 or by email [planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us) or the ADA Coordinator at 844-365-0352 or by email at [ada@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:ada@co.humboldt.ca.us)

Humboldt County Planning Commission  
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